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EVSC sells part of golf course for \$1.7 million



The Evansville Vanderburgh School Corp. is selling 60 acres of the former Eagle Valley Golf Course it purchased in 2017. MACABE BROWN / COURIER & PRESS

60 acres of the former Eagle Valley Golf Course will be turned into an outdoor sanctuary

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EVANSVILLE — EVSC will sell 60 acres of the former Eagle Valley Golf Course -- including the former clubhouse and parking area -- to a nonprofit that aims to turn it into “a thriving outdoor sanctuary that will serve the community’s recreational and environmen-

tal needs.” The school board Tuesday unanimously approved the sale of the property at 10350 Petersburg Road to McCutchanville Greenway Park and Nature Preserve Inc. for \$1.7 million, the lowest figure the school corporation had said it would accept. The money will be paid in three installments, the final payment in a promissory note of \$1.1 million. McCutchan-

ville Greenway Park and Nature Preserve’s website states over a “donate” button: “We as a community have the opportunity to improve the quality of life in McCutchanville for generations to come. But we need your help.” The nonprofit’s leaders include some of Vanderburgh County’s most prominent citizens, identified on its website as the McCutchanville Community Association. The group includes Kathy Briscoe, owner of F.C. Tucker Emge Realtors and the

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Lawsuit over alleged phosgene gas leak

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As a pipefitter worked from a lift at SABIC Innovative Plastics’ massive Posey County, Indiana, facility in February, he got hit with a toxic surprise: Phosgene gas, a compound made infamous as a chemical weapon during World War I, had leaked into the air and then into his lungs. That’s according to a federal lawsuit filed Thursday on behalf of pipefitter Aaron Seed and his wife, Taylor Seed. In a 15-page civil complaint filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana, the Seeds’ attorneys accused SABIC Innovative Plastics’ U.S.-based subsidiaries of “gross negligence” for failing to adequately protect workers exposed to “ultra-hazardous” conditions at the company’s facility west of Mount Vernon, Indiana, its largest manufacturing hub in North America. The accusations echo charges levied against SABIC Innovative Plastics Mount Vernon by another worker in 2024 who allegedly suffered second-degree burns when a steam line ruptured and he fell onto scaffolding while working at the facility. That suit is ongoing. SABIC is majority owned by Aramco – a Saudi Arabian government-operated petrochemical company – and is headquartered in Riyadh, the country’s capital. SABIC’s U.S. subsidiary is based in Houston, Texas. Representatives for SABIC

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Coroner identifies victim of Evansville shooting

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EVANSVILLE — The Vanderburgh County Coroner’s Office publicly identified the victim of Monday’s deadly shooting at the Carriage House apart-

ment complex. In a news release published Wednesday morning, officials named 23-year-old Jamaine Vaughans as the victim. According to Chief Deputy Coroner Amy Miller, Vaughans was pronounced dead at Ascension St. Vincent Hospital.

Vaughans’ death from multiple gunshot wounds was the grim conclusion to a domestic dispute that devolved into violence late Monday night, according to Evansville police. Evansville Police Department spokesman Sgt. Anthony Aussieker told reporters Tuesday that officers

first responded to the scene, an apartment in the 5500 block of Carriage Drive, after multiple 911 callers reported hearing gunfire and one observed Vaughans suffering from injuries. During the initial response, officers

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